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## **HOT ISSUES**

1. **No. California Wildfires:** several drinking water systems continue to be affected by major fires, operating under boil-water notices. In Whiskeytown National Recreation Area, major system damage has occurred, the 5 water systems' status is unknown, and a do-not-drink order is in effect. In the Merced County Ferguson fire near Yosemite National Park, 4 community and 12 non-community water systems remain evacuated. We continue to stay in close communication with state partners.

## **UPCOMING DECISIONS AND EXTERNAL ENGAGEMENT**

1. **Arizona:** Regional Administrator Mike Stoker will address the Arizona Chamber of Commerce and Arizona Manufacturing Council on Monday, August 20 at their annual meeting in Prescott. Acting Deputy Administrator Henry Darwin will address the group the following day. Mr. Stoker will also meet with Phoenix Mayor Thelda Williams, with Sen. McCain's office, and with representatives of HudBay regarding the proposed Rosemont Mine.
2. **So. California:** RA Mike Stoker and counsellor Chris Hage will meet with Los Angeles Dept. of Water and Power executives regarding water infrastructure issues raised by Eastern Sierra tribes in recent meetings. They will also tour our nearly-completed chemicals removal action at the Bellflower site and our So. California emergency response facility in Signal Hill.

3. **CAA plan approval:**

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**UNRESPONSIVE/UNRELATED RECORD**

4. **UIC Settlements:** we will public-notice a proposed SDWA UIC administrative order in which USDA has agreed to close 62 large-capacity cesspools on federal land (primarily USFS land) by December 2020. EPA banned large-capacity cesspools in 2005. We'll also public-notice our final order with one of the largest private landowners in Hawaii, Kamehameha Schools, for a large-capacity cesspool on property it owns. They will pay a \$99K penalty, and audit their 363,000-acre holdings to identify any remaining cesspools; this audit will support the State's strategy to close/upgrade all cesspools, small or large, by 2050.

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